

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Natural Resource Commission
Regular Meeting
December 11, 2019**

Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m. by John Keshick III, Chairman;

Roll Call: Chairman, John Keshick III; Commissioner, Gerald V. Chingwa; Treasurer, Frederick Holdorff; Vice-Chairman, Renee Dillard; and Commissioner, William R. Ortiz.

Absent: None

NRD Staff: Chief Conservation Officer, Kevin Willis; Great Lakes Fishery Program Manager, Kevin Donner;

Absent: Director, Douglas Craven; Great Lakes Fishery Biologist, Chad LaFaver; Inland Wildlife Biologist, Archie Kiogima Jr.; Inland Fisheries Biologist, William Parsons; Environmental Services Manager, Caroline Moellering; Treaty Rights Enhancement Specialist, Daniel Hinmon; and Office Coordinator, Debra Smithkey-Browne

Guest: James Bransky, LTBB Legislative Attorney;

Open Ceremony – None

NRC Tax Exempt forms and Stipend forms were distributed and signed by all commissioners.

Chairman John Keshick III explained that CORA wants their check.

Treaty Enhancement Funds carryover was denied by Appropriations Finance Commission.

Public Comment opened 6:20 p.m. – Successful Elk season.

Public Comment closed at 6:25 p.m.

Natural Resource Department Director's Report – Douglas Craven, Director

- No Report

Natural Resource Conservation Law Enforcement Report – Kevin Willis, Chief Conservation Officer

- No Report

**Inland Fish and Wildlife Managers Report – William Parsons, Inland Wildlife and Fish Biologist
Meetings/Trainings**

Motion made by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman; to approve the Natural

Resource Inland Fish and Wildlife Written and Verbal Report as presented by William Parsons, Inland Wildlife Biologist; supported Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Natural Resource Great Lakes Fishery Report – Kevin Donner, Great lakes Fishery Biologist submitted written report

Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the Natural Resource Great Lakes Fishery Verbal Report as presented by Kevin Donner, Great Lakes Fishery Biologist; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the 2020-2021 Federal Waterfowl Season and Bag limit; Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer, supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Environmental Services – Caroline Moellering, Environmental Services Director

- No Report

Treaty Rights Enhancement Report – Daniel Hinmon, Treaty Rights Enhancement Specialist

- No Report

Commissioner's Report – Commissioners

- No Report

Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to enter into Executive Session at 6:45 p.m.; supported by Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

6:55 p.m. Kevin Willis arrived.

7:55 p.m. Break

8:15 p.m. Executive Session resumed

Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to close Executive Session at 9:33 p.m. and return to open session; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Public Comment opened at 9:35 p.m. no public present to comment

Public Comment closed at 9:35 p.m.

**Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the Natural Resource attendance at the Interest based meeting at the Ram Center date and time TBD at a later date and receive per diem, mileage, stipend and lodging; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.
5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant
Motion Carried**

**Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 p.m.; supported by; Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner.
5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant
Motion Carried**

Next scheduled meeting will be held on January 8, 2020

Approved:

Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman

Date